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## TOMORROW'S FORECAST

- \* The House will reconvene for its 15th Legislative Day on Thursday, February 8, at 10:00 AM.
- \* 3 bills are expected to be debated on the floor.



## GEORGIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# DAILY REPORT

Friday, February 02, 2007

14th Legislative Day

## TODAY ON THE FLOOR

### RULES CALENDAR

#### **HB 39 - Public records; confidential information not disclosed; provide**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 39 seeks to clarify language used in paragraph (a)(1) of O.C.G.A. 50-18-72, relating to exceptions and exemptions of the Georgia Open Records Act. Current law exempts public records "specifically required by the federal government to be kept confidential." The amendment clarifies that it is public records "specifically required by federal statute or regulation to be kept confidential."
- **Authored By:** Rep. Jill Chambers of the 81st
- **House Committee:** Judiciary
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Amendments(s):** N/A
- **Yeas:** 166; **Nays:** 0

#### **HB 81 - Salt water fishing; charter fishing guide and pier fishing licenses; provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: This bill comes from the findings and recommendations of a saltwater fishing guide work group facilitated and conducted by the Coastal Resources Division in 2006. The bill would define "salt water fishing guide," and salt water fishing pier," as well as make it unlawful for anyone to engage in the occupation of salt water fishing guide without holding a valid annual salt water fishing guide license. The fees for the license are \$25 resident and \$50 non-resident. The bill also creates an optional customer license that is available only to a salt water fishing guide who holds a USCG passenger vessel operator's license. Fees for the optional customer license would be: Resident, six or fewer customers - \$150; Resident, unlimited customers - \$400; non-residents, regardless of number of customers - \$400. Finally, the bill authorizes the Department to use rule and regulations to specify information reporting requirements for salt water fishing guides and salt water fishing pier operators.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Cecily Hill of the 180th
- **House Committee:** Game, Fish, & Parks
- **Rule:** Open
- **Amendments(s):** N/A
- **Yeas:** 158; **Nays:** 3

#### **HB 105 - Animals; poultry; revise certain provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: Due to administrative costs for collection of fees that exceed the amount collected for certain licenses required by the Department, this bill would give discretion to the Commissioner of Agriculture to charge reasonable license fees to offset the administrative costs to collect such fees. This would apply only to a rendering plant license, a poultry dealer, poultry broker, poultry market operator, or hatchery license. Additionally, this bill removes code section 4-7-5 relating to sulfaguanidine and sulfathiazole since those antibiotics are no longer used to treat poultry.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Gene Maddox of the 172nd
- **House Committee:** Agriculture & Consumer Affairs
- **Rule:** Open
- **Amendments(s):** N/A
- **Yeas:** 157; **Nays:** 5

*\* The House will reconvene Thursday, February 8, at 10:00 AM, for its 15th Legislative Day of the 1st Regular*

## **COMMITTEE ON RULES**

**The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for the 15th Legislative Day, Thursday, February 8, and bills may be called at the pleasure of the Speaker.**

### **RULES CALENDAR FOR NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY**

#### **HB 79 - Motor vehicles; light transmission through windows; materials; provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: This bill adds federal, state and local government vehicles, as well as licensed private detectives' vehicles, to the list of exemptions from Georgia's window tinting restrictions.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Ronald L Forster of the 3rd
- **House Committee:** Motor Vehicles
- **Rule:** Open

#### **HB 100 - Shrimp and shrimping; revise various provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: This bill provides for an extensive re-write of the Shrimp Fishery. The recommendations contained in the bill came from a public stakeholder process coordinated and facilitated by the Coastal Resources Division of the Department of Natural Resources in 2005, and – according to DNR's position - are not contrary to the wise use and conservation of Georgia's shrimp resource.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Cecily Hill of the 180th
- **House Committee:** Game, Fish, & Parks
- **Rule:** Open

#### **HB 122 - Commercial feeds; labeling requirements; exclude equine feed**

- BILL SUMMARY: This bill only applies to feed produced for equines. The bill would require that ingredients for equine feed be listed in descending order of predominance by weight, rather than the use of a collective term for a group of ingredients. As an example, instead of simply "grain products," a label would read, "Wheat, Oats, etc."
- **Authored By:** Rep. Terry England of the 108th
- **House Committee:** Agriculture & Consumer Affairs
- **Rule:** Open

*\* The Rules Committee will next meet on Thursday, February 8, at 9:00 AM, to set the Rules Calendar for the 16th Legislative Day.*

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## **COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT**

No full standing committees met to take legislative action today.

*\* Bills passing committees are reported to the Clerk's Office, and are then placed on the General Calendar.*

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## **COMMITTEE BROADCAST SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, February 6 - Wednesday, February 7

Date/Time	Meeting Name	Location
Tuesday, February 6 10:30 AM	Economic Development Subcommittee Mtg.	515 CLOB
Tuesday, February 6 2:00 PM	Judiciary (Civil)	132 CAP
Tuesday, February 6 3:00 PM	Judiciary - Non-Civil	506 CLOB
Tuesday, February 6 3:00 PM	Subcommittee One (Lindsey Subcommittee)	132 CAP
Wednesday, February 7 10:00 AM	Health and Human Services	606 CLOB
Wednesday, February 7 10:00 AM	Subcommittee Two (Crawford Subcommittee)	132 CAP
Wednesday, February 7 10:30 AM	Economic Development Subcommittee Mtg.	415 CLOB
Wednesday, February 7 1:00 PM	Public Safety Subcommittee	606 CLOB
Wednesday, February 7 2:00 PM	Education Subcommittee	515 CLOB
Wednesday, February 7 3:00 PM	Retirement	403 CAP
Wednesday, February 7 3:00 PM	State Institutions and Property	406 CLOB
Wednesday, February 7 3:00 PM	Transportation	606 CLOB

*\* This schedule is accurate at the time of this report, but meeting dates and times are subject to change. To view the most up to date meeting schedule, please visit <http://www.legis.ga.gov> and click on Meeting Notices. To view the live streaming video of the meeting, please visit the Georgia Legislative Network website.*

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